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equivalent to \$40 per year per angling household

Those expenditures do not include the thousands of hours of volunteer work by local anglers involved in fisheries improvement projects.

New and improved hatcheries. aggressive fish management programs, community involvement projects, increased stocking, ... they're vital, and expensive.

We want to share both the enjoyment and the responsibility of protecting our fisheries resource

We believe non-residents understand the need to get a fair return from our resource and the need to protect it. Ontario has been welcoming visiting anglers for at least a hundred years. We want to continue that fine tradition of hospitality - and good fishing

LET'S ENJOY OUR NATURAL RESOURCES FOREVER



Visiting Ontario to Fish?



This may affect you.



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VISITING ONTARIO TO FISH?

Every year, Ontario looks forward to welcoming thousands of visiting anglers. If you're planning to fish during a visit to Ontario, you should know about new fishing regulations that will affect all non-resident anglers. Ontario has revised its non-resident angling licences, and instituted special protection for two favorite trophy species — muskellunge and lake trout.

LICENCES-YOUR CHOICE

Visitors from the U.S. and other countries can now take their pick from a variety of licences:

THE FOUR-DAY: This is our traditional short-term licence for anglers planning a long weekend or a few days in Ontario. Cost: \$10 (up from \$8).

THE 21-DAY LICENCE: A new licence aimed at anglers who visit Ontario for one fishing vacation of up to three weeks. Cost: \$20 (\$5 more than the old seasonal licence). This licence can be renewed for \$10 for an additional 21-day period.

THE SEASONAL LICENCE:
A licence for non-residents who want to return to fish throughout the season, or for those who plan several Ontario fishing trips at different times of the year. Cost: \$30 (up from \$15).

NON-RESIDENT ANGLING LICENCE FOR SPOUSES: A new seasonal licence that covers husband and wife and children under 17 years of age. Each spouse is allowed a daily limit of all species including — if the required tags are obtained — lake trout and muskellunge.

TAGS FOR MUSKIE AND LAKE TROUT

Muskie and lake trout are highly-esteemed game fish — so much so that the ministry is offering them special protection in the form of "species specific tags", something already common in many states. All non-residents of Ontario now need \$5 tags to fish for either muskellunge or lake trout. These tags, valid for one year, can be applied to any non-resident or Canadian angling licences held during the season.

LICENCES AND TAGS-HOW TO GET THEM

All licences and tags will be available through the Ministry of Natural Resources' provincewide system of 3,500 licence issuers.

RESOURCE PROTECTION

Ontario offers varied and plentiful sport fishing, from walleye fishing in Lake Erie to brook trout fishing in the rivers flowing to Hudson Bay, with at least 250,000 lakes and a multitude of rivers in between.

The price revisions for nonresident angling licences are the first since 1980 and they are in line with non-resident licence fees charged by other jurisdictions.

Those fees are also in line with what Ontario residents pay through taxes to maintain the province's fisheries. In 1984, it will cost \$47.5 million to manage Ontario's fishery. The revenue from non-resident licences, with the changes, will be \$7.5 million. So, Ontario taxpayers contribute almost \$40 million —